



## MARKET PRICE INDICES OF DWELLINGS FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF 2012

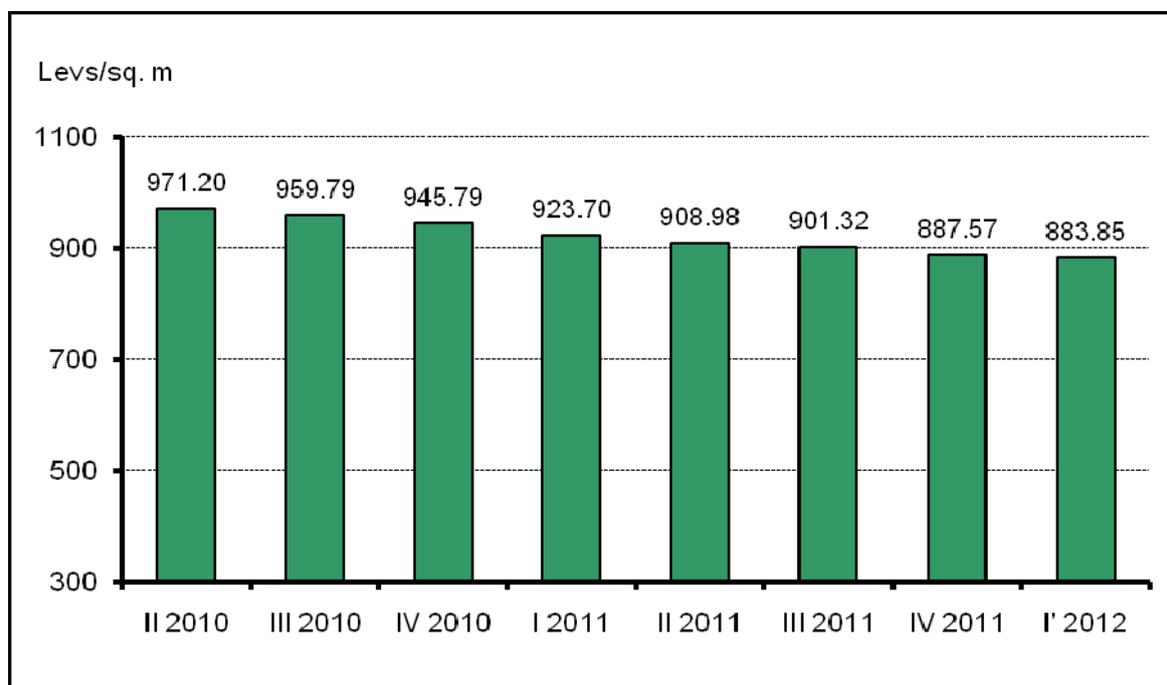
The market price index of the dwellings for the first quarter of 2012 compared to the fourth quarter of 2011 was **99.6%**, i.e. the average decrease of the market prices of the dwellings was **0.4 %**. (Table 1).

The market price index of the dwellings for the first quarter of 2012 in comparison with the corresponding quarter of the previous year was **95.7%**, i.e. the average decrease of the market prices of the dwellings was **4.3%**.

In the first quarter of 2012 compared to the previous one, a price decrease has been recorded in 17 district centres. It was more considerably in Vratsa - by 4.4%, Vidin - by 3.2% and Lovech - by 3.1%. In 10 district centres a price increase has been recorded.

In the first quarter of 2012 the average market price of the dwellings for the whole country was 883.85 Levs/sq. m. The highest ones were the average prices in Sofia (capital) - 1 465.33 Levs/sq. m, followed by Varna - 1 439.00 Levs/sq. m and Burgas - 1 158.83 Levs/sq. m.

**Figure 1. Average market prices for the whole country by quarters**





### **Methodological notes**

The market price index of the dwellings measures the total relative price change of the prices of existing dwellings – flats (newly built flats, houses and luxury dwellings are excluded). The object of the statistical survey is the prices of flats really sold, by households, in the district centers.



ANNEX

Table 1

**Average market prices of dwellings and indices for the first quarter of 2012<sup>1</sup>**

District centres	Average prices - Levs/sq. m		Indices - %
	Fourth quarter of 2011	First quarter of 2012	First quarter of 2012 compared to fourth quarter of 2011
<b>Total</b>	<b>887.57</b>	<b>883.85</b>	<b>99.6</b>
Blagoevgrad	763.91	785.32	102.8
Burgas	1166.29	1158.83	99.4
Varna	1454.67	1439.00	98.9
Veliko Tarnovo	713.26	691.13	96.9
Vidin	570.23	551.79	96.8
Vratsa	629.99	602.17	95.6
Gabrovo	524.67	526.40	100.3
Kardzhali	683.50	674.38	98.7
Kyustendil	563.45	549.56	97.5
Lovech	613.71	594.53	96.9
Montana	619.83	610.52	98.5
Pazardzhik	670.25	676.45	100.9
Pernik	655.83	666.67	101.7
Pleven	765.98	782.47	102.2
Plovdiv	948.00	926.34	97.7
Razgrad	656.67	647.00	98.5
Ruse	840.33	861.01	102.5
Silistra	672.51	655.79	97.5
Sliven	697.26	681.60	97.8
Smolyan	684.78	679.20	99.2
Sofia cap.	1453.30	1465.33	100.8
Sofia	701.14	705.91	100.7
Stara Zagora	889.93	874.98	98.3
Dobrich	691.87	671.31	97.0
Targovishte	631.78	637.60	100.9
Haskovo	840.24	840.23	100.0
Shumen	662.49	667.85	100.8
Yambol	624.48	624.00	99.9

<sup>1</sup> Data referred to flats in the district centers only (excl. newly built flats).